false, misleading, or fraudulent statements in connection with this Act; authorizing the Administration to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the interstate delivery of certain adoption and medical assistance services.

## BY renumbering

Article - Family Law

Section 5-4A-01 through 5-4A-07 and the subtitle "Subtitle 4A. Mutual Consent Voluntary Adoption Registry", respectively

to be Section 5-4C-01 through 5-4C-07 and the subtitle "Subtitle 4C. Mutual Consent Voluntary Adoption Registry", respectively

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## BY adding to

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Section 5-4A-01 through 5-4A-08, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 4A. Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance"

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 5-4A-01 through 5-4A-07 and the subtitle "Subtitle 4A. Mutual Consent Voluntary Adoption Registry", respectively, of Article - Family Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 5-4C-01 through 5-4C-07 and the subtitle "Subtitle 4C. Mutual Consent Voluntary Adoption Registry", respectively.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland. read as follows:

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SUBTITLE 4A. INTERSTATE COMPACT ON ADOPTION AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE. 5-4A-01.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "ADMINISTRATION" MEANS THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
- (C) "ADOPTION ASSISTANCE STATE" MEANS THE STATE THAT IS SIGNATORY TO AN ADOPTION ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT IN A PARTICULAR CASE.
- (D) "RESIDENCE STATE" MEANS THE STATE WHERE THE CHILD LIVES: 5-4A-02.
  - (A) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT: